

From W.W. Phillips to John B. Ward

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Auburn Kansas, May 21st 1861

Dear Friend-

I Take this opportunity of Dropping you a few lines to inquire whether you has Received that note & Mortgage[.] I sent it the first of April and have not Received anything from you as yet[.] I had it Recorded in the Recorder office in Topeka so if [MS. illegible] you have not Received it I will have to get a certified copy of it and send to you[.] I have made inquiry from Legal Gentlemen and they say that is the only way to proceed Legally.

We are all excitement here[.] War. War. is the cry. we are organizing throughout the state for home Defence[.] The Indians are quite troublesome out south and we expect to have some trouble with them[.]

We are Ready for Missouri and will meet her half way anytime[.] We are all well crops look fine[.] Hoping to hear from you very soon[.] I subscribe myself yours to command[.]

W[.] W[.] Phillips

[P.S.] Our Love to all